

4929. Misbranding of "Alorine Antiseptic Suppository." U. S. \* \* \* v. Henry E. Currey, trading as Live and Let Live Drug Co. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$50. (F. & D. No. 7072. I. S. No. 8166-h.)

On April 5, 1916, the United States attorney for the District of Oregon, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Henry E. Currey, trading as Live and Let Live Drug Co., Baker, Oreg., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about April 30, 1914, from the State of Oregon into the State of Washington, of a quantity of an article called "Alorine Antiseptic Suppository," which was misbranded. The circular or pamphlet accompanying the article contained, among other things, the following: "Alorine Antiseptic Suppository. \* \* \*"

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed it to be a cacao-butter suppository carrying quinine sulphate, boric acid, and tannic acid. Zinc, silver, and aluminum salts were absent. Phenol and berberine were not detected.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that the following statements regarding the therapeutic or curative effects thereof, included in the circular or pamphlet aforesaid, to wit, "Alorine Antiseptic Suppository. \* \* \* A prompt and effectual Relief for Leucorrhoea, \* \* \* Tumors, Polypus, Profuse and Difficult Menstruation, Laceration of Cervix, Gonorrhoea, Falling of the Womb, and all Female complaints in General. A remedy of great medicinal value; and has been used in hundreds of the most severe cases, producing instant relief, followed by a speedy cure. \* \* \* Important. The suppositories are a positive preventative and protection from Venereal Diseases \* \* \*," were applied to the article knowingly and in reckless and wanton disregard of their truth or falsity so as to represent falsely and fraudulently to the purchasers thereof, and create in the minds of purchasers thereof, the impression and belief that it was, in whole or in part, composed of, or contained, ingredients or medicinal agents, effective, among other things, for the relief and cure of leucorrhoea, tumors, polypus, profuse and difficult menstruation, laceration of cervix, gonorrhoea, falling of the womb, and all female complaints in general, and effective as a positive preventive and protection from venereal diseases, when, in truth and in fact, it was not in whole or in part composed of, and did not contain such ingredients or medicinal agents.

On April 21, 1916, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

R. A. PEARSON, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*